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SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT RE U.S.-JAPAN OBSERVER SCHEME  
FOR WHALING OPERATIONS FROM LAND STATIONS

1. ON MARCH 11 FONOFF (SEKI, 2ND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIV.) ADVISED EMBASSY THAT AFTER STUDYING SUGGESTION THAT SUBJECT AGREEMENT BE MODIFIED TO CONTAIN INDEFINITE DATE OF EXPIRATION, FONOFF TREATIES BUREAU DECIDED THAT SUCH A CHANGE WOULD BE INADVISABLE. ACCORDING TO SEKI, FONOFF LAWYERS REASONED THAT FUNCTIONING OF OBSERVER SCHEME IS CONTINGENT UPON THE INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION CONTINUING TO ALLOCATE QUOTAS OF WHALES TO BE HARVESTED AND THEREFORE IT WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH IWC PROCEDURES TO INCORPORATE LANGUAGE INTO THE OBSERVE AGREEMENT WHICH PRESUMES THAT IT WILL CONTINUE BEYOND THE PERIOD FOR WHICH IWC QUOTAS PRESENTLY HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED.

2. GOJ PLANS TO PROPOSE RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT TO MARCH 31, 1977, VIA AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES AND WILL SHORTLY SUBMIT A SUGGESTED DRAFT TO EMBASSY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO WASHINGTON.  
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